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Title - State/Commonwealth/City of [state/city, state] – Office of the [PUBLIC OFFICIAL]

Proclamation of World Cholangiocarcinoma Day

WHEREAS, the State/Commonwealth/City of [state/city, state] is pleased to recognize and observe the third Thursday of February as **World Cholangiocarcinoma Day** in commemoration of all patients and caregivers impacted by the rare, lethal cancer; and

WHEREAS, the **Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation** is the leading global resource in research, education, and public awareness; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 10,000 people in the United States develop cholangiocarcinoma each year, and the mortality rate has increased dramatically in the last decade; and

WHEREAS, cholangiocarcinoma is a **rare cancer**. Of the top 8 deadliest cancers, 7 are rare. Rare cancers have a 5-year survival rate under 50%, with the cholangiocarcinoma 5-year survival rate being approximately 20%; and there is currently **no cure** for cholangiocarcinoma/bile duct cancer; and

WHEREAS, foundations, research and teaching hospitals, rare cancer advocacy groups, and patient advocacy groups from around the globe have joined forces to recognize the third Thursday of **February** as **World Cholangiocarcinoma Day**; and

WHEREAS, increased cholangiocarcinoma advocacy, awareness, research, and education will bring improved outcomes for patients in earlier detection and treatment and potential curative methods;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State/Commonwealth/City of [state/city, state] urges all citizens to support the Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Office of the [PUBLIC OFFICIAL] is committed to the continued support of research for treatment and a cure of cholangiocarcinoma.

I encourage all citizens to educate themselves about the disease and the Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation for its role in our communities to improve the quality of life of patients and its work to find a cure by visiting **curecca.org**. [PUBLIC OFFICIAL SIGNATURE HERE]